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CITY OF BOSTON.

A SKETCH

OF THE

ORIGIN AND HISTORY

OF THE

GRANARY BURIAL-GROUND.

IN COMMON COUNCIL, March, 1879.

Referred to the Special Committee on Interments, with authority to print the same.

Sent up for concurrence.

W. H. WHITMORE,
President.

IN BOARD OF ALDERMEN, March 31, 1879.

Concurred.

HUGH O'BRIEN,
Chairman.

THE GRANARY BURYING-GROUND.

It may be said primarily that in the Description of Boston, by our late Mayor Shurtleff, much information concerning all the burial-grounds will be found. Although rather general in terms, the account there given seems to be correct; and it will be sufficient to say that the statements therein have been used in the following report.

In regard to the Granary yard it may be briefly stated that it came into use some thirty or forty years after the settlement of the town. Probably there was at first little order or precision to its boundaries, as it was simply a

corner of the Common which reached westerly from the foot of Beacon and Cotton hills. Prior to 1700 we must regard the present Tremont street as little more than a lane skirting the open common field, having houses on the easterly side only, and with the present Beacon street reaching up the hillside. It is not known when or where the first interments were made, but from analogy we may presume they were nearest the road, and hence where the Tremont House stands. In Bonner's map of 1722 it appears as if the land nearest Beacon street had been by that time set off for house-lots, about on the lines still so occupied; but as yet our Park street could have been nothing more than a road-way. The town about this time seems to have placed its buildings on this land, and the Almshouse in fact was rebuilt about 1682, on Beacon street, near Park. About 1712 a Bridewell, or House of Correction, was placed on the upper part of Park street; in 1738 a Workhouse one hundred and twenty feet long was added, and a Pound. Soon after, a Granary was put on the corner of Park and Tremont streets, while the Town bulls were kept in a corner of the main ground.

From the words used in the records it seems that the town voted in 1719–20 to *enlarge* the ground on the Common side; and, as will be seen, tombs were placed along that line. It is highly probable that some graves were extended beyond the line, since it will be remembered that when the drinking-fountain was placed on the Common near the Park street gate, and large excavations were made for the water-pipes, several gravestones were disinterred.

At all events the records show that in 1721 fifteen tombs were licensed on the west side of the yard, beginning at the upper corner, and being in a line parallel with the present Park street. By the end of 1725 the whole line was complete, and in 1726 tombs were put on a new range from that corner, following Tremont street.

By 1737 this row was also finished, and the corner turned irregularly round the garden lot now belonging to the Tremont House estate; tomb No. 80 being the end one in that direction.

In 1739 five more tombs were built, Nos. 81–85, being the first on the easterly side, parallel with the passage-way from Tremont street to Tremont place.

After this date less care seems to be taken with the record of grants; if, indeed, any tombs were built for many years. Shurtleff indeed says that none were granted until 1810, and so far corroborates our opinion based on the lack of records.

According to Shurtleff, 26 tombs were built in 1810,

being Nos. 86–111, forming all of the row in that direction, up to the line of the Athenæum estate.

A line was also built on a portion of the north side of the yard, parallel to the estates adjoining the Athenæum towards Park street.

In 1807, also, William Payne and his sisters, who owned the estates on Beacon street west of the Athenæum, and abutting on the burying-ground, obtained leave to construct tombs in their yards, to be entered from the cemetery. Nine tombs were so built, under the stables and outhouses of these estates; and yet these tombs were readily taken by such citizens as David Sears, Uriah Cotting, John Gore, Edward Blake, and others of note.

There are also various tombs in the yard not placed by regular plan, and probably not the subject of regular grant. Such tombs, raised above ground and covered with a huge slab, are to be found in all of our older cemeteries, and usually belonged to the clergymen or magnates of the day. Thus we know that tomb No. 140 was that of Rev. John Baily, who died in 1697; and we find mention of tombs of Gov. Endicott, Simeon Stoddard, and Josiah Willard, — all prominent inhabitants of the town.

The records indeed are very imperfect, and our main reliance must be the memorandum which has been kept in the various departments which have successively had the custody of the yard. The list herewith printed was originally prepared about a century ago, and from time to time various transfers and claims have been added. In 1818 the then Superintendent of Health, Samuel H. Hewes, opened a record-book, still preserved at the office of the Board of Health; but it was very fragmentary, and little used after the beginning.

In regard to the question of the present ownership of the various tombs not much can be said. There seems to be no law or decision covering the point of wherein the ownership rests on the death of the first constructor of a tomb.

No case seems to have arisen as to the rights of heirs. Of course a tomb is of but very limited capacity, and when once filled, common propriety would restrain any heir from insisting upon an abstract right to place bodies in the ancestral vault. But where no disposition has been made by gift, and where descendants are numerous, there may well be a question as to the rights of the heirs. The town of Boston seems to have had a by-law that when tombs became dilapidated it might repair the same and assign them to other parties. It seems that this was done, after the Revolution especially, when the families of former owners had departed

from the country. But to-day the question will arise whether the right to sell a tomb depends upon the consent of all of the descendants of the grantee of one hundred and fifty years ago. Undoubtedly for the present purpose it will be sufficient to point out one owner, but a search for title will be long and inconclusive.

EXTRACTS FROM THE RECORDS OF THE SELECTMEN.

P. 144–5, April 13, 1721. *Voted*, That whereas the Town of Boston at a Publike Town Meeting on the 29th day of Aprill 1719 ordered that the South Burying place should be Inlarged next the Common or Training Field: In pursuance of which vote or order the select men in the year 1720 did so Inlarge the said Burying-Place, at which time sundry of the Inhabitants of the said Town to the number of fifteen desired Liberty to erect new Tombs, on the south line of the said Burying-place, which the Select men granted on condition they would carry up and maintain a brick wall on said line at the end of their Tombs which said line of Tombs begins at the upper or west corner of the said Burying-Place next the Alms House, and are by the said Select men assigned to the several Persons who built the same as follows, viz.: —

To Jonathan Belcher, Esq., the upper tomb which we call .	No. 1
" Oliver Noyce, Esq., downward	No. 2
" Mr. James Gooch	No. 3
" Mr. Thomas Cushin	No. 4
" Capt. Thomas Steel	No. 5
" Mr. James Bowdoin	No. 6
" Mr. William Foy	No. 7
" Mr. George Bethune	No. 8
" Mr. Ezekiel Lewis	No. 9
" Mr. Robert Guteridge	No. 10
" Mr. William Webster, his heirs	No. 11
" Jeram Allen, Esq.	No. 12
" William Harris, Esq.	No. 13
" Capt. Adino Bulfinch	No. 14
" Mr. Joshua Henshaw	No. 15

Ordered, That the above written be entred by the Town Clerk in the Select men's book, and Certificates be by him given out to the Owners in the form following, viz.: —

"At a meeting of the Select men of Boston, Aprill the 13th, 1721.

"There is granted to Jona Belcher, Esq., the first tomb from the west end of the South Burying Place, on the south line of said Burying Place, he having at his own charge erected the same and paid to the Town his part of the Common shore for draining the said tombs, — and so the rest."

P. 185, 1721, March 5. Upon a petition of Mr. John Edwards of Boston, sheweth, that whereas there is a Tomb in the South Burying place, belonging to the Late Governour Endicot, which has bin unimproved for many years, and there being no family in said Town nearer related to the said Governour Endicot's family than his, desires he may have liberty granted him to make use of it for his family. Granted that the said John Edwards has Liberty to Improve the said Tomb until a person of better right to it appears to Claim it.

1722, April 17, (p. 187), grants were made as follows: — To —— Gill No. 16, David Colson No. 17, Thomas Crees No. 18, Henry Guio-

neaues No. 19. "Granted to each of them their respective tombs, they having erected them at their own expense and paid to the Town their share to the common shore."

1722, Sept. 24, (p. 207.) "Liberty granted for a tomb to be built for Mr. John Coney, dec^{d}, in the S. Burying place on the south line No. 20." Liberty granted to Samuel Barrett to build a tomb on the same line, No. 21.

1723, Oct. 11, (p. 244.) Liberty granted etc. "upon terms of the former grants," to Jonas Clark No. 22, Jonathan Jackson No. 23.

1723, Nov. 25, (p. 246.) "There is granted to Mr. William Downes the twenty-fourth Toomb from the west end of the South Burying place on the south line of the said burying place, he having at his own charge erected the same and paid to the Town his part of the common shore for draining the said Toombs."

1724, April 27, (p. 256–7.) "Liberty is granted to Mr. Samuel Rand to build a Tomb in the South Burying place on the south line, No. 25, upon the same conditions others had."

"Liberty is also granted to Mr. Silence Allen and Mr. Eliazer Darby to build two Tombs between them on the same conditions, No. 27 and 28."

"Liberty is also granted to David Demming, Henry Howel, and Hannah Demming to build one Toomb between them on the same conditions, No. 29."

(P. 258.) "Liberty is granted to Mr. Thomas Wallis to build a Toomb in the South Burying Place on the south line, No. 29, upon the same conditions others had."

"Liberty is also granted to Mr. William Palfrey to erect a Toomb in the same Burying place on the same terms. He quitt his Grant to Capt. Bonner."

1724, July 17, (p. 266.) "Liberty granted to Mr. Andrew Faneuil to erect a Toomb in the South Burying place, near to the Toomb of Simion Stoddard, Esq."

1725, Sept. 27, (p. 311.) Liberty granted &c., "upon the same conditions others did" to Cap't. John Bonner No. 30, William Spiekman, No. 31, Henry Gibbins No. 32, Jera Belknap No. 33, Penn Townsend, No. 34.

(P. 312.) "Liberty is granted to Mr. Thomas Wallis to build a Toomb in the South Burying place upon the south line No. (26) upon the same terms as others had granted. Liberty being formerly granted to Mr. Eleazer Darby and Silence Allen to build a Tomb betwixt them, have now made application they may have each of them a toomb; which was granted. To Mr. Eliazer Darby No. (27), to Mr. Silence Allen No. (28.)

1726, Sept. 6. (p. 348.) Liberty is granted to build a tomb in the south burying place, on the new line, "on the same conditions formerly granted to others," to John Borland, No. 37; Joseph Brandon, No. 38; Barrett Dyer, No. 39; John Durant, No. 35.

1726, Nov. 19, (p. 350.) Liberty &c., "upon the conditions as others have the liberty" to Nathanial Cunningham, No. 40.

1726–7, March 10, (p. 358.) Liberty, &c., "on the same terms as others, having paid part of the drain" to Wm. Bowen, No. 34; Thomas Downe, No. 44.

1727, May 3, (p. 363.) Liberty, &c., "upon the west line on the same terms as others had, he having paid for the benefit of the drain," to Capt. Cyprian Southick, No. 46.

1727, May 29, (p. 365.) Liberty &c., "on the same conditions the former persons did, he having paid for the drain" to John Jekyl, No. 47; John and Thomas Hill, No. 45; Ann Green, No. 41; William Wheelwright, No. 42.

1727, Aug. 28, (p. 376.) Liberty granted, &c., "on same terms

with others" to John Hunt, No. 49; John Dolbear, No. 51; Francis Wardell, No. 53.

1727, Sep't. 8, (p. 377.) Liberty granted &c., "on former terms," to James Pemberton, No. 48; Cap't. John Fairweather, No. 43; William Young, glazier, No. 52; Nathaniel Byfield, No. 50.

1727–8. March 25, (p. 388.) Liberty granted of a tomb on the east line "on the conditions granted to others" to Robert Patteshall, and to Capt. William Blare. [No numbers given.]

At the end of the volume of Selectmen's Records from 1715 to 1729, and in the same handwriting, is the following: —

"*A List of the Toombs in the South Burying place on the South Line and numbered, viz.:* —

Jonathan Belcher, esq.	No. 1
Oliver Noyes, esq.	2
Capt. James Gouch	3
Mr. Thomas Cushing	4
Capt. Thomas Steel	5
Mr. James Bowdoin	6
Mr. William Foy	7
Mr. George Bethune	8
Mr. Ezekiel Lewis	9
Mr. Robert Guteridge	10
Mr. William Webster	11
Jeramiah Allen, esq.	12
William Harris, esq.	13
Capt. Adino Bulfinch	14
Mr. Joshua Henshaw	15
Mr. John Gill	16
(Now Thomas Hancock) added in different ink.	
Mr. David Colson	17
Doc^{r} Thomas Creese	18
Mr. Henry Geneue	19
Mr. John Coney	20
Mr. Samuel Barrett	21
Mr. Jonas Clark	22
Mr. Jonathan Jackson	23
Mr. William Downs (pinmaker)	24
Mr. Samuel Rand	25
Mr. Thomas Wallis	26
Capt. Eliezer Darby	27
Mr. Silence Allen	28
Mr. David Deming	29
Capt. John Bonner	30
Mr. William Spikeman	31
Mr. Henry Gibbons	32
Mr. Jeremiah Belknap	33
Mr. William Bowen	34
Mr. John Durant	35
Penn Townsend, esq.	36
Mr. John Borland	37
Mr. Joseph Brandon	38
Mr. Barret Dyer	39
Mr. Nathaniel Cunningham	40
Mrs. Ann Green	41
Mr. William Wheeler, jun^{r} Capt. Wm Blak	42

Capt. John Fairwether	43
Mr. Thomas Down	44
Messrs. John & Thomas Hill	45
Capt. Cyprian Southack	46
John Jekiel, esq.	47
Mr. James Pemberton	48
Mr. John Hunt	49
Nathaniel Byfield, esq.	50
Mr. John Dolbeare	51
Mr. William Young	52
Mrs. Frances Wardwell	53
Mr. William Lee	54
Mr. John Wendell	55
Major Paul Mascareen	56
Mr. Thomas Jackson	57
Mr. Andrew Tylor	58
Mr. Francis Gatcom	59
Mr. Nicholas Buttolph	60
William Welsteed, esq. his family	61
Doc. Nathan[l] Williams	62
Mr. William Wheeler jun[r].	63
Mr. William Palphree	64
Messrs. Zecha & Cornelius Thayer	65
Mr. Robert Pattishall	66
Capt. James Blin	67

1729, Aug. 6 (p. 5). "Granted to the several persons hereafter named, each a Toomb in the South Burying Place on the east line on the conditions on the former Persons.

The Rev[d]. Mr. William Welsted for his father's family.

William Palfrie.

Capt. James Blin.

1729, Dec. 29 (p. 12). Granted &c. "on the same conditions that others had them granted on" — to Mr. John Windal.

Dec. 31 (p. 12). "Granted to Mr. William Lee liberty of a Toomb in the South Burying Place on the East line on the same condition with others," was granted July, 1728.

1729–30, March 12, (p. 19.) "Granted to Mr. Thomas Jackson, of Boston, merchant, one of the new toombs in the South Burying place on the east line No. (—) on the same conditions with others."

1735–6, Feb. 25, (p. 277.) "Liberty is granted to Mr. John Kneeland to break up the ground in the South Burying Place, between the Bull house and the north east corner of it, in order for the building five tombs, upon condition that he build a brick wall where the Fence now stands and make good the ground again to the satisfaction of the selectmen."

1735–6, March 3 (p. 280.) "Voted that Messrs. Joshua Blanchard, John Kneeland, Jr., Jonathan Williams, Jr., Benjamin Emmons and Thomas Hubbard shall have the tombs granted to be built in the South Burying place as entred the 25 Feb. last."

1736, April 14 (p. 294.) "A petition signed by Messrs. Edm[d] Quincy, Thomas Jackson, Joseph Green and sundry others, praying for liberty to erect a brick wall on the northerly side of the south burying place, with Tombs under the same, or that other provision may be made for their accommodation, viz., in the old burying place" was read and referred.

1736, June 2 (p. 317.) "Mr. Joshua Thomson prays for liberty to build a tomb, or that he may have assigned to him one of those that are about to be built in the South burying place near the Bull-House, as it now stands, upon the conditions usual."

P. 139. 1733, May 8. "Liberty is granted to Mr. John Lee to break up the ground and build a Tomb in the South Burying Place about 26 feet distance from the South west wall against the Tomb belonging to William Harris, Esq."

New Vol. E. P. 67, 1736–7, Feb. 23. "John Jeffries, esq. informs that it is the desire of Mr. John Gibbins to have liberty to build a Tomb in the South Burying Place."

E. pp. 84–5, 1736–7. March 23. "Whereas upon the petition of sundry persons as entred at several times Liberty was granted for the erecting a Number of Tombs in the South Burying Place, which work being compleated and finished the Tombs allotted and drawn and a list of them presented to us for confirmation:

VOTED, that the Thirteen Tombs lately erected in the South Burying place, numbered from sixty-eight to eighty inclusive, be and hereby are granted and confirmed unto the Persons hereafter named, their Heirs and assigns respectively, forever, viz: —

No. 68	Mr. Richard Checkley.
69	Mr. Jonathan Williams, junr.
70	Mr. Thomas Hubbard.
71	Mr. Benjamin Emmons.
72	Mr. John Indicott.
73	Mr. Joshua Blanchard.
74	Mr. Edward Gray.
75	The Hon. John Osborne, Esq.
76	Mr. Edmund Quincy.
77	Mr. Thomas Jackson.
78	Mr. Isaac Walker.
79	Mr. John Buttolph.
80	Mr. Joseph Green.

Upon the following conditions, viz.: That they and each of them, their Heirs and assigns, Do from time to time forever hereafter at their own proper costs and charges, uphold, maintain and keep in good repair the Brick Wall or Fence, with Cants on the Top of the same, as it is now built, and of the full breadth of each of their respective Tombs, to the satisfaction of the Selectmen of the town for the time being, — Paying each his proportion for the benefit of the Drain as has been Customary.

E. P. 109, 1737, Apl. 25. Mr. John Clough (Leather-dresser) prays for Liberty to build a Tomb in the South Burying palce next adjoining to the Tomb number 80 lately erected there.

E. P. 298, 1738, April 5. "Capt. Jonathan Armitage desired Liberty to erect a Tomb in the South Burying place on the north line. His former desire made in the year 1734 being omitted entring at time."

P. 328, 1738, June 21. Deacon Parker and Mr. Blanchard desired leave to build four new tombs in the South Burying place adjoining the thirteen built in 1736 on the northerly side of the yard, and it was granted, the tombs "to be disposed of by the Selectmen as they shall see fit."

F. p. 6, 1738, Sept. 13. As all the money for Tombs 68 to 80 had not been paid in, Mr. Joshua Blanchard was ordered to collect it and pay for "building a small piece of Brick wall at the North corner of said Burying place, against which part of Mr. Joseph Green's Tomb stands, viz.: Number 80."

F. p. 63, 1738–9, Jany 10. Voted that the five Tombs lately built in the South burying place number'd from 81 to 85 inclusive, be and hereby are granted to the persons hereafter named, their Heirs and assigns forever, viz.:.

No. 81 . . . . . to Deacon Jacob Parker.
82 . . . . . " Deacon John Clough.
83 . . . . . " the heirs of Saml Greenleaf, dec^d.
84 . . . . . " Capt. Jonathan Armitage.
85 . . . . . " Doctor John Gibbins.

Upon the conditions following, viz.: that they and each of them, their Heirs and assigns, Do from time to time forever hereafter, at their own proper cost and charge uphold, maintain and keep in good repair the Brick Wall or Fence, with Cants on the Top of the same, as it is now built, and of the full breadth of each of their respective Tombs, to the satisfaction of the Selectmen of the Town for the time being, paying each his proportion for the Benefit of the Drain as has been customary.

F. p. 334, 1740, July 16. Liberty to Hugh Hall, Esq., to build a Tomb in the South burying place "and to bring in his bricks &c., by the almshouse," "provided that he takes care for putting up the Fence again in good order."

RECORDS OF THE TOWN OF BOSTON, VOL. 8, P. 491.

At a meeting of the freeholders &c., Nov. 2, 1795. "The Article in the Warrant relative to the Common and Chapel Burying grounds, read, : — Whereupon, voted that the Hon. Thomas Dawes, Esq., the Hon. George R. Minot, Esq., Dr. Eustis, Nath'l Appleton, Esq., Dr. Jarvis, Mr. Nath'l Balch, Hon. Wm. Tudor, Esq. be a committee.

1795, Nov. 6, (p. 493.) The Committee appointed by the Town to consider the subject of the Burying grounds at large and to report on Friday next some suitable place of deposit for the Dead, in order that the Town may be enabled to discontinue the opening of Graves in the Common and Chappel Burying grounds, report as follows : —

The Committee having consulted the Physicians of the Town, find it to be their opinion that the Health of the Inhabitants is in danger from the crowded state of these Grounds, and the exhalations which must frequently arise from opening Graves therein. In addition to which they find it is almost impossible to open new Graves, without disturbing the relicts of the Dead already interred. From an equal regard to Health, for a decent respect for both the living and the Dead, they recommend to the Inhabitants to adopt the following measures : —

1st. That no Graves or new Tombs shall be opened or built in either the Common or Chappel burying Ground, after the first day of May next.

2d. As the South Burying ground is already sufficiently large for the present accommodation of the Inhabitants and will admit of such enlargement, that the Selectmen be empowered to allot to any Inhabitant who may apply for the same, sufficient Ground for erecting a Tomb in the Ground, and to enlarge the said South Burying Ground in a direction westerly whenever the publick convenience shall in their judgment require it.

3d. Inasmuch as in remarkably inclemant weather it may be inconvenient for Funerals to proceed to the South Burying Ground, that the Selectmen cause to be erected under the Vestry room of the Stone Chappel, or in some other part of the Chappel burying ground, a Vault or Tomb suitable for a temporary deposit, in which any of the Inhabitants who may incline thereto, shall have a right to deposit the Bodies of their deceased Friends or relatives, for a term of time not exceeding twenty-four hours (unless in particular cases) by permission of the

Selectmen, until it may be convenient for them to remove such Bodies to the place of final interment.

All which is submitted.

THOS. DAWES, *pr order.*

The foregoing report having been read and considered the question was put whether the same shall be accepted.

Passed in the affirmative.

1802, Jany. 25, (p. 92.) "Mr. Benjamin Hale and Asa Hatch apply that their names should [be] entred in the plan of the Granary Burying Ground on Tomb No. 11, formerly owned by Webster. Mr. Hale being the legal heir under Webster, and having sold one half of said Tomb to Mr. Hatch."

1807, June 24, (p. 346.) "Dr. James Lloyd informed the Board that by consent of Mrs. Shrimpton Hutchinson he had sold the Tomb in the Granary Burying ground belonging to Mr. Hutchinson, to Deacon Nye & son, and wished it to be so entered upon the Selectmen's books. Agreed that such communication should be entered on the Record."

1807, Apr. 29, (p. 338.) "On the application of Christopher Gore, William Paine and Mr. Fletcher for liberty to build a number of Tombs on their land adjoining on the west wall of the Granary burying ground with liberty to enter such tombs through the brick wall." Referred to a committee.

1807, Aug. 6, (p. 353.) "A petition of Mr. Michael Homer having been several times before the Board, for liberty to build Tombs in the Granary burying ground, reference was had to the doings of the Town in the year 1795, when it appeared that the Town ordered that no new grave or tomb should be built in the Chapel or Granary burying grounds; in consequence of this vote the Board determined that it was not in their power to give liberty as requested."

1807, Sept. 16, (p. 358.) On said application "Voted that they have the consent of the Board to their request, provided they shall obtain a like consent from the persons who own Tombs adjoining to that wall; which consent shall be expressed in writing and signed by said proprietors and put upon the Town files."

1807, Sept. 16, (p. 358.) "Messrs Daniel and Ignatius Sargent having applied for a deed of a Tomb in the Granary burying ground lately rebuilt by Mr. Michael Homer, it was agreed that upon Mr. Sargent paying $300 for said Tomb, the Chairman should be authorized to give a certificate as proposed by them; and Mr. Homer to exhibit to the Board his account of expenses for allowance."

"*Voted*, that in future, when any Tombs are gone to decay from the neglect of the owners or from the want of any proprietor thereto, that they shall be advertised in the public papers, for any one who has a legal claim to appear and make the necessary repairs; and in case no such person is to be found, that the Board would employ workmen to rebuild or repair the same, and sell them for the advantage of the Town."

1810, Feb. 7, (p. 449.) "An application was read from Robt. T. Paine, Esq., stating his claim to a Tomb in the Granary burying ground formerly belonging to Josiah Willard, Esq., and in which tomb several of the ancestors of Judge Paine are now deposited, but which was taken possession of by Mr. Samuel Bangs for repairs done thereon in 1786, by consent of the selectmen at that time. The Board considered the application and are of opinion that Judge Paine's claim is well founded, and are willing that he should take possession of the said Tomb, but that he should not ditsurb or remove the remains of any of the family of Mr. Bangs who may be therein."

1810, March 19, Board of Health Records. It was reported inexpedient to adopt the plan for building tombs in the Granary.

May 7. Orders passed relating to graves and providing that "on application to this Board persons may be licensed to build Tombs, in the North, Chapel, Granary, Central, and South burying-grounds, on condition the tombs be built under the direction of the Superintendent; that against each tomb the proprietor thereof shall erect a substantial brick wall at least six feet high from the top of the arch of the tomb, and at the joint expense of all the proprietors shall sink good and sufficient stone or brick drains to carry off the water from the tombs."

June 18, Report "that it will be well to reserve the North East line of Ground (Granary) for Tombs."

July 23, Voted "that the subject of laying out a new range of Tombs in the Granary Burying ground be referred to the Superintending Committee of the Ground."

1810, July 30. Report of a Committee "that they have examined the said grounds and so far as respects the application of Mr. Sullivan, think it advisable to allow him to build on or enlarge a Tomb on the North westerly side of the Bellingham Tomb, he contributing to the expense of a wall on the West side of the Granary Ground, but that it will not be advisable to allow any new Tombs in the ground, except adjacent to the fences and on ground next to the Fence."

Report accepted.

August 6. Voted, "that the Committee to procure Records of Tombs, &c., for the Selectmen, have further time."

GRANARY BURIAL-GROUND.

OFFICE OF THE BOARD OF HEALTH,
BOSTON, March 6, 1879.

To the City Council of Boston:—

GENTLEMEN, — The Board of Health respectfully reports that the public health requires that future interments in each and all of the tombs in the "GRANARY" burial-ground be prohibited. Said tombs are numbered from one to two hundred and four inclusive.

The names of the past and present owners, so far as we know, are hereto annexed.

S. H. DURGIN,
Chairman.

No. of Tomb.	Owners.
2	Archibald, Azor G., part.
12	Allen, Jeremiah (now George Allen).
28	Allen, Silence, p't.
31	Andrews, Stephen S.
35	Allardise, Ann, p't.
38	Amory, Rebecca, p't.
38	Amory, Francis, p't.
39	Adams, Capt. Thomas.
42	Allery, Lydia, p't.
84	Armitage, Jeremiah, p't.
106	Ashton, John, p't.
117	Austin, Thomas, claims p't.
145	Allen, p't.
155	Andrews, Stephen S.
164	Adams, Hon. Isaac, p't.
165	Adams, Elijah.
182	Alline, William, p't.
192	Armstrong, Samuel T., p't.
196	Andrews, Stephen S., p't.

No. of Tomb.	Owners.
3	Bean, Aaron, p't.
6	Bowdoin, James.
1	Bethune, George.
14	Bulfinch, Adino, p't.
14	Bulfinch, Samuel, p't.
21	Barrett, Samuel, p't.
21	Bates, John, p't.
25	Belknap, p't.
30	Bonner, John and Samuel.
32	Baker, Letitia, p't.
33	Belknap, Jeremiah.
34	Bowen, William, p't.
37	Borland, John,
38	Brandon, Joseph, p't.
42	Blaie, William, p't.
43	Bradbury, Charles, p't.
49	Byfield, Nathaniel, p't.
60	Buttolf, Nicholas, p't.
62	Bradlee, Thomas and John, p't.
63	Brigham, B., p't.
67	Blinn, Capt. James, 1729, p't.
67	Baldwin, Rev. Thomas, p't.
72	Billings, Ebenezer, p't.
73	Blanchard, Joshua.
74	Blake, Edward, p't.
76	Bullard, Jabez, p't.
79	Blake, George, p't.
80	Breed, Rebecca, p't.
81	Beighton, James, p't.
82	Boylston, Nicholas, p't.
85	Binney, Barnaba, p't.
86	Babcock, Adam.
92	Baxter, Daniel, p't.
105	Blanchard, Jedediah, p't.
108	Bradlee, Joseph P., p't.
120	Bourne, Melatiah, p't.
132	Blake, Edward.
141	Bumstead.
143	Bumstead, Thomas.
144	Baury, Alfred L., p't.
152	Bullard, J., p't
159	Barton, J., p't.
161	Brown, p't.
173	Bangs, Samuel, p't.
176	Baxter, John, p't.
178	Barrett, Francis, p't.

No. of Tomb.	Owners.
181	Blake, George W., p't.
184	Bass, Moses, p't.
188	Bishop, R. C., p't.
190	Brooks, John, p't.
192	Bass, p't.
194	Badger, John, p't.
199	Bradford, Samuel, p't.
200	Boardman, Thomas and William.
113	Baxter, Joseph, p't.
202	Brown, Nancy, p't.
4	Cushing, Thomas.
13	Clark, Nathaniel.
20	Coney, J.
22	Clark, Jonas, p't.
40	Cunningham, Nathaniel.
38	Colman, William.
67½	Callender, R. B., p't.
68	Chuly, Richard.
80	Clapp, William W.
110	Coolidge, Cornelius.
125	Cabot, George.
128	Cunningham, Andrew, p't.
129	Coverly, Wells.
135	Crackbon, Lemuel, p't.
166	Cushing, Charles.
192	Clough, p't.
173	Cheeney, Samuel, p't.
15	Dorr, Joseph H., p't.
	Dorr, Samuel, p't.
24	Downs, William and Decoster T.
24	Dillaway, Samuel.
27	Dorby, E.
29	Deming, David and H.
32	Durivage, Ann.
35	Durant, John.
44	Down.
47	Dyer, John D., p't.
50	Dolbear, John.
53	Dolliver, Peter.
72	Day.
75	Dixwell.
83	Davidson, Andrew C.
89	Dalton, Peter R.
97	Dexter, Jonathan M.
109	Draper, Lorenzo.
135	Davis, Isaac, p't.

No. of Tomb.	Owners.
168	Dumer and Freeman, p't.
182	Doggett, Noah, p't.
183	Dall, William, p't.
186	Donnison, William.
189	Derby, I., p't.
201	Dean, Thomas, p't.
14	Emmons, Joshua, p't.
18	Erving, Edward S., p't.
95	Easte, Caleb.
116	Ewing, John and E. S.
145	Eaton, p't.
154	Eliot, Samuel.
193	Ellis, David.
194	Emerson, p't.
163	Eckley, Joseph.
71	Emmons, Benjamin.
108	Emmons, Nathaniel, p't.
134	Englesby, William T.
22	Emmerson, Jonathan.
7	Foy, William.
35	Fiske, Mary, p't.
43	Fairweather, John, p't.
47	Ficker, John, p't.
66	Farris, William, p't.
67	Flagg, David, p't.
138	Faneuil, Peter, p't.
167	Farmer, Jesse, p't.
169	Foster, B. and W.
174	Freeman, Nye and.
177	Freeman, James, p't.
177	Fitch, Jeremiah, p't.
187	Freke, John, p't.
195	Franklin.
3	Gooch, John and William, p't.
9	Gray, Abigail, p't.
10	Gould, William, p't.
16	Gill, p't.
18	Greese, Dr. Thomas, p't.
19	Guinea, Henry, p't.
32	Gibbin, Henry, p't.
41	Green, Ann, Rufus, and Gardiner.
59	Gatcomb, Francis, p't.
59	Greenlief, Oliver, p't.
69	Goddard, William, p't.
74	Gray, p't.
80	Green, Joseph, p't.

No. of Tomb.	Owners.
83	Greenlief, Samuel, p't.
87	Goodwin, Ozias, p't.
124	Gay, Martin.
131	Gore, John.
135	Gore, p't.
135	Goodrich, Isaac W., p't.
147	Griggs, Robert D.
152	Guild, C., p't.
158	Goddard, Jonathan, p't.
170	Greenough, David.
193	Grafton, p't.
201	Grubb, William.
202	Gilbert, Samuel, p't.
11	Hale, Benjamin, p't.
11	Hatch, Asa, p't.
11	Hatch, Harrington, p't.
13	Harris, William, p't.
14	Hyde, Abigail, p't.
15	Henshaw, Joshua, p't.
16	Hancock, Thomas, p't.
45	Hill, Ann and Elizabeth.
51	Hunt, John, p't.
53	Huntington, Benjamin, p't.
70	Hubbard, Thomas.
72	Howe, Abraham, p't.
97	Hammond, Samuel, p't.
98	Head, Joseph, Jr., p't.
106	Homer, James and David, p't.
107	Hawks, Joseph, p't.
113	Hayden, William.
115	Hichborn, Samuel, p't.
127	Hammatt, John B. and Charles.
144	Hall, Hugh, p't.
158	Hubbart, John, p't.
171	Hill, James, p't.
176	Hayden, William, p't.
180	Hyslop, William, p't.
191	Homer, Jacob, Michael and Eleazer, p't.
185	Huntington, Ralph.
190	Hooper, James, p't.
193	Hodgden, Benjamin, p't.
194	Hunt, Mary, p't.
196	Hutchinson, James, p't.
197	Hinckley, Elizabeth and E., p't.
197	Hooton, Mary, p't.
203	Infants' Tomb.

No. of Tomb.	Owners.
23	Jackson, Jonathan, p't.
47	Jackson, John, p't.
23	Jackson, Charles, p't.
57	Jackson, Dr. Thomas P.
67½	Jackson, Thomas, p't.
77	Jackson, Thomas, p't.
81	Jackson, Anna, p't.
84	James and Pelham, p't.
84	James, John W., p't.
107	Jackson, Johnson, p't.
126	Jenney, Stephen, p't.
136	Jones, Nancy, p't.
138	Jones, Edward, p't.
175	Jeffries, Dr. John.
63	Kendall, Sewell, p't.
76	Kettell, James, p't.
9	Lewis, Ezekiel, p't.
13	Lasenby, Joseph, p't.
21	Leach, Thomas, p't.
28	Lamb, Rebecca and Abigail, p't.
34	Lucas, John, p't.
	Leitner, George, p't.
36	Lewis, p't.
40	Longley, George, p't.
46	Lepean, John, p't.
51	Loring, John J., p't.
49	Lyde, p't.
54	Lee, William.
60	Leverett and Phillips, p't.
103	Lodge, Giles.
108	Ludington, (?) p't.
125	Lee, Joseph, p't.
120	Lee, Jeremiah, p't.
121	Lamb, James, p't.
194	Lillie, John, p't.
197	Lee, Deacon John.
17	Mosely, Elizabeth M.
19	Molineaux, John, p't.
22	Minot, p't.
44	Morrill, James, p't.
56	Mazereen, Col. Paul, p't.
67½	Manley, William, p't.
102	Mackay, Mungo.
109	McClure, Thomas, p't.
113	Munroe, William, p't.
136	McClench, Nancy, heirs of, p't.

No. of Tomb.	Owners.
136	Motley, Mary, p't.
188	Maguer, John, p't.
2	Noyes, Oliver, p't.
61	Nickerson, Ebenezer, p't.
174	Nye and Freeman.
26	Oliver, Hubbard, p't.
74	Oliver, Henry J., p't.
75	Osborne, John, p't.
75	Otis, Harrison Gray, p't.
91	Osborn, John.
160	Old South Church.
20	Prentice, William H.
35	Peck, William D., p't.
36	Perkins, John S., p't.
39	Paine, William, p't.
42	Phillips, John, p't.
42	Perkins, Mary, p't.
48	Pemberton, James, p't.
34	Park-st. Church, p't.
56	Perkins, Thomas, p't.
60	Phillips, Leverett and, p't.
60	Phillips, Thomas W., p't.
64	Palfrey, William.
66	Petershall, Robert.
76	Parker, M. S., p't.
81	Parker, Jacob, p't.
82	Priest, John F.
84	Pelham, James and, p't.
88	Paine, Robert T.
105	Park, John, p't.
115	Parker, Mrs., p't.
117	Parker, Thomas, p't.
118	Peck, Thomas, H., p't.
122	Price, Ezekiel.
123	Payne, William.
118	Perkins, Thomas H., p't.
145	Prince, p't.
161	Partridge, p't.
162	Phillips, Turner and James.
164	Patterson, Enoch, p't.
168	Powell, Dumer and, p't.
168	Powell, William, p't.
178	Phillips, Samuel, p't.
184	Phillips, Samuel, heirs, p't.
196	Payne, William, p't.
10	Robinson, William, p't.

No. of Tomb.	Owners.
25	Rand, Samuel, p't.
27	Robbins, Jonathan Dorby, p't.
66	Roulstone, John, p't.
68	Randall, Dr. John, p't.
81	Rand, Isaac, p't.
94	Richard, John, p't.
95	Richardson, Asa, p't.
96	Reynolds, Edward and William.
97	Richardson, John Drew, p't.
100	Russell, Benjamin.
105	Richardson, Luke, p't.
121	Roberts, Mary, p't.
134	Reany, William L., p't.
137	Richardson, William.
139	Ritchie, William, p't.
139	Ritchie, Edward S.
172	Revere, Paul.
173	Ray, Daniel, p't.
187	Russell, Joseph, p't.
198	Redman and Page, p't.
198	Roulstone, Michael, p't.
1	Smith, Franklin.
78	Smith, Franklin.
107	Smith, Franklin.
119	Smith, Franklin.
133	Smith, Franklin.
156	Smith, Franklin.
171	Smith, Franklin.
5	Steel, Thomas.
35	Strong, Abraham, p't.
39	Staples, p't.
44	Stimson, p't.
46	Southac, Capt. Cyprian, p't.
46	Southac, Francis, p't.
47	Sweetser, John, p't.
52	Sutton, p't.
69	Shedd, Joseph and Samuel A., p't.
48	Sears, David, p't.
65	Sumner, James.
75	Sargent, Epes, p't.
77	Stackpole, William, p't.
84	Straw, John A., p't.
85	Stillman, Samuel, p't.
92	Stedman, Josiah, p't.
98	Smith, Samuel, p't.
99	Sumner, Thomas W.

No. of Tomb.	Owners.
101	Snow, Gideon.
112	Spooner, Dr. William, p't.
114	Snelling, Samuel.
117	Stimpson, Isaac P., p't.
142	Smith, Margaret, p't.
146	Sullivan, James.
148	Stevens, Isaac.
158	Sumner, Thomas W., p't.
180	Sumner, Genl.
183	Shattuck, William, p't.
193	Stackpole, p't.
	Symmes, Thomas.
36	Townsend, Penn, p't.
52	Tuckerman, A., p't.
55	Townsend, Dr., p't.
58	Tyler, Andrew, p't.
61	Train, Samuel, p't.
63	Thayer, Zachariah and Cornelius, p't.
65	Thayer, Z. and C., 1729.
90	Tucker, Richard D.
93	Tilden, Joseph.
105	Tolman, Henry, p't.
109	Tufts, Francis, p't.
111	Trask, Francis, p't.
126	Tileston, Thomas, p't.
108	Tilden, p't.
130	Thorndike, Israel, p't.
134	Torrey, Ebenezer, p't.
142	Thaxter, Seth, p't.
149	Taylor, William.
150	Tidd, Jacob.
167	Trull, Ezra, p't.
189	Townes, William, p't.
191	Torrey, Samuel.
192	Torrey, p't.
67	Vezie, Joseph, p't.
10	Walker, Edward B., p't.
11	Webster, William, p't.
21	Webb, Nathan, p't.
26	Wallace, Thomas, p't.
42	Wheeler, p't.
44	Whitwell, Samuel, p't.
53	Wardell, Francis, p't.
55	Wendell, John, p't.
58	Wheelwright, George, p't.
59	Welsh, Francis, p't.

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No. of Tomb.	Owners.
61	Welstead, William, p't.
61	Welsh, Jonas, p't.
62	Williams, Nathaniel, p't.
65	Wheeler, William, p't.
68	Wells, Samuel A., p't.
69	Williams, Jonathan.
79	Welland, Capt. John, p't.
94	Wells, Titus, pt.
104	White, Ebenezer.
111	Wright, Obadiah, p't.
140	Willis, Abigail and Charles.
144	Welch, William, p't.
145	Wells, p't.
151	White, Isaac.
152	Willett, J.
153	Williams, John F. and Robert.
157	Walley, Thomas.
179	Whitwell, Benjamin and William.
199	Williams, Jonathan, p't.
52	Young, p't.

CITY OF BOSTON.

April 12, 1879.

Agreeably to the provisions of Chapter 182 of the Acts of 1877, notice is hereby given to the owners of the tombs, described in the foregoing report of the Board of Health, to appear before the special committee of the City Council, appointed for that purpose, on Tuesday, *the fifteenth day of July next*, at 3 o'clock, P.M., at the City Hall, Boston, and show cause, if any they have, why each and all of said tombs in the Granary Burial-Ground should not be *closed* against any future interment therein.

S. F. McCLEARY,
City Clerk.